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: Ben Schilling's sub expires with this issue. Pat Pakel's will expire with the next issue.

: Game Openings - I'm having so much fun with the Rail Baron game that I'm opening up another game. One already signed up (Ringhoffer). I need four or five more. We'll have a commentary being printed with this game.

For a possible Diplomacy opening, see the message traffic section.

## Ship's Log

Sometimes I really amaze myself with how far I've come in my flight training. I now feel quite comfortable in the airplane, and doing routine things like flying straight & level, or landing are no longer nerve wracking experiences. So far I have completed three stages of the training. First was Familiarization (FAM). This was learning how to fly and control the plane safely. The final flight of this stage (FAM-14) was my first solo. Next was Basic Instruments (BI). I flew twelve flights in this section, about half of which were in a simulator instead of the plane. When in the plane I flew with a bag over my half of the canopy so I was using only the instruments. By the last two flights I had really got the hang of this and I got good grades on those two flights. Today I finished the Precision Landings and Aerobatics (PA) module. Precision landing means that now instead of landing on the first third of the runway, I am expected to put the plane down in the same spot each time. The aerobatics is really just an introduction. I was graded on a loop, a wingover, a barrel roll, and an aileron roll. This was a lot of fun, but quite a bit more tiring than the other stuff. I also got to try a few other maneuvers that I was not graded on.

Next I will get six flights in Formation flying. I'm really looking forward to this. Although, I think that it will be hard, it should be challenging at the same time. Within the next two weeks, I'll also have two night flights, and then I'll go back to more advance instrument training for another two weeks. That will complete the primary flight training, and I'll be on to intermediate.

## Padres Corner

Yes, it's baseball season again, and we see the return of this well loved column. As of today the Padres are:

PADRES W-18 L-12 .600 1 game behind LA (Boo, hiss!)

Not too bad. Tony Gwynn is leading the NL is batting and was named the Player of the Month for April. Rich Gossage leads the league in sves and was the Pitcher of the Month. I just hope we can keep this up.

In the other NL division, the Mets and Cubs are fighting it out for first. I kid you not. Personally, I hope they can keep it up, too.

Special Padres Trivia Question (for Jim Briggs, only): In 1977, San Diego started an all-rookie double-play combination with Bill Almon at shortstop and Mike Champion at second-base. What were their uniform numbers? (anyone else is welcome to try this, but I don't expect anyone to)

## Soccer News

In Jim Williams' United league, RM subber Dick Martin and Steve Knight continue to lead their respective divisions. My SoTex Tomcats are firmly entrenched in last place, and show no promise to change that. But we're still tryin'.

The Sockers did indeed win their third straight Indoor title. They cruised through the two round playoffs without a loss, defeating the Cosmos in the final.

The NASL reached an agreement with its players at the last minute, thus apparently ensuring that the season will be played after all. Regular season play is beginning this week.

An article written by Judy Winsome, won by me in the Sockers vs. Quakes bet is in the initial preparation phase and will be printed here soon. No, I don't know what the subject will be.

## Message Traffic

\* FRESHMAN POLL RESULTS: I'd like to thank the 19 people who voted for Raging Main in this poll, and in case some of you haven't seen the results of the survey, yet, here they are. Listed are those 'zines which received at least five votes and their average vote.

1. House of Lords	8.50
2. Thiry Miles of Bad Road	8.19
3. Politesse	8.05
4. Cathy's Ramblings	7.90
5. Midlife Crisis	7.36
6. Raging Main	7.26
7. The End Justifies the Means	6.85=Average vote
8. Manifest Destiny	6.79
9. Who Cares?	6.20
10. Hai! Jikai!	5.85
11. The Diplomat	5.75
12. Battle Stations	5.73
13. Bersaglieri	5.15
14. Festungs Hof	5.00
15. D-T-J-A-G-D-H	2.71

\* 1984 RUNESTONE POLL: This is the big one. The 8th annual 'zine poll and the 7th annual GM poll. I'd like to see all of you vote in this poll, so we can make it more worthwhile. Voting is exactly the same as the Freshman Poll. Rate each 'zine that you have seen more than two issues of since 1 April 1983 on a scale of 0 (bad) to 10 (good). Also rate each GM you have played under in that period. List 'zines and subzines separately and alphabetically on one ballot and list GMs by surname alphabetically. DO NOT list GMs by their 'zines! GMs and publishers may not vote for themselves or their own 'zines. Send your ballot to Randolph Smyth, 212 Aberdeen St., SE, Medicine Hat, Alberta, T1A 0R1 CANADA. The deadline is 29 June 1984, but mail early since it can take up to 2-3 weeks to reach Alberta.

\* MADCON II: Certainly the Diplomacy event of the Spring. To be held in Madison, WI on the Memorial Day Weekend. Already in excess of twenty hobby members are reported to be attending. I am planning on being there. For more details contact Mark Frueh (1013 Milton St. #304, Madison, WI 53715), James Wall (27 N. Mills, Madison, WI 53715) or Marc and Debi Peters (29 E Wilson #202, Madison, WI 53703). BE THERE!

\* 1984 ZINE DIRECTORY: This publication, which will list all 'zine from both North America and Europe, will be available this summer. All publishers are requested to send information on their 'zine to Roy Henricks, 128 Deerfield Dr., Pittsburgh, PA 15235 (for North American 'zines) or Cathy Cuning, 1526 N. Lawler Ave., Chicago, IL 60651.

\* PRESS IN DIPLOMACY: A good bit of attention has been paid lately to the subject of Press. BRUX Linsey's Voice of Doom currently features a game (RIGEL) which recently had over thirty pages of press for a single season. The really great thing is that the vast majority of that was really good stuff. Rod Walker's Erehwon has a game that purposly got together a group of players who can write good press and would do just that. Rod has talked about what he considers good press and I agree with him. Rod's position (quoted from Erehwon #122, p.9) is, "The best press occurs when player-created characters begin to move through serial game-related situations and interact as between the press written by one player and that written by others." The stuff written by RIGEL players falls into this category.

Last issue (of RM, of course) one of the Mikasa players asked why I don't encourage press more. I made the answer that I'd like better press, but that is of course up to the players. Now, I would like to have some really good press in RM, so I'm going to open up another Dip game, for those who want to see some really creative stuff. Any takers? If anyone is interested in doing a commentary for this game, let me know.

\* SPACEFILLER MEANDERINGS: I noticed recently that I've got a good number of subbers who are either students at or alumni of Big Ten Universities. Represented--to my knowledge-- are Wisconsin (Wall & Frueh), Ohio State (Kettman & Hager), Indiana (Luedi), Michigan (Sesler) and Minnesota (Hanson, Petersen, & myself). I've even thought to open a game for Big Tenners only. Other collegiate conferences represented here are the Pac-10 with California (Del Grande), Oregon State (Anderson), and Washington (Meinel?), and the ACC with Duke (Murray), Georgia Tech (Whiting) and Maryland (the Martins). Anyone else out there?

One of the features of Raging Main that got a good response, but hasn't been seen in a while is my history writing. While I haven't had the time lately to do any more research, I do have something that I think you'll find interesting. Last year, in order to get my BA in history, I had to write a paper in which all or most of the research was to come from primary sources. In other words, the information had to come from manuscripts written at the time of the events, not books written later.

Not suprisingly, I chose to write about a piece of diplomatic history. The first few paragraphs should explain the topic well enough. I hope you enjoy it. I'll be sparing you the footnotes.

#### FLODDEN FIELD WHY DID IT HAPPEN?

King James IV of Scotland was one of Scotland's most successful rulers. Ascending to the throne in 1488, at the age of fifteen, he inherited many problems. These ranged from centuries of enmity with his neighbor, England, to internal rebellion. By the turn of the century he was able to put down rebellions and exercise some control over the more independent highland clans--something no Scottish king had been able to do for over fifty years. In 1502, James signed a treaty with Henry VII of England that included his marriage to Henry's daughter, Margaret, which took place the next year. In 1509, Henry died and his son Henry VIII became King of England. James IV and Henry VIII renewed the Treaty of 1502 almost immediately. Yet, in spite of this, within five years, in 1513, James invaded England and engaged an English army at the Battle of Flodden Field. In the battle, the Scots were routed and James was killed, leaving his kingdom in the hands of his infant son, James V. What was the reason for this war with England? What caused this Scottish disaster?

To answer these questions we must look at the political and diplomatic situation of Europe in 1509. The principle characters in this stage were, James, Henry, Louis XII of France, Ferdinand of Aragon, Maximilian, Holy Roman Emperor, John of Denmark, and Pope Julius II. The focus of everyone's attention was Italy. Ununified, Italy was made up of the Kingdom of Naples (a possession of Spain) in the south, the Papal States in the center, which were ruled by the Pope (as a temporal prince), and northern Italy, which was made up of many petty principalities and city-states, such as Venice and Milan.

Louis XII's father Charles VIII had invaded Italy in 1494, but he was unsuccessful. In 1508, hoping to gain control of the territories owned by the Venetian Republic, the Pope and Louis, together with Ferdinand and Maximilian, formed the League of Cambrai to force Venice into making concessions. The result, in 1509, was that the French defeated the Venetians at the Battle of Agnadello. After that, they were much stronger in Italy than Julius wanted. Soon the Pope would be fighting his former ally.

The Scottish king, having quieted all rebellion at home, and achieved peace with his English neighbor, looked abroad for excitement. James' thoughts turned to a crusade. The Ottoman Turks had been expanding in the Balkans for centuries and were nearing Italy. James proposed a league of all of the Christian rulers in Europe to fight the Infidel. Unfortunately, this could not be accomplished while fighting continued in Italy, between Louis and Julius.

James then took it upon himself to try and stop the fighting. The Venetian forces were without a commander since the Count of Pitigliano had been killed. James applied for the job, so to speak. A Scottish priest, and friend of the King, spoke to the Venetian ambassador in London. He asked about the death of Pitigliano and inquired as to what he had been paid. He said that his lord was a good general and that James very much wanted to see Venice. The Scottish king offered to bring 150 ships and 10,000 men to aid the Republic, and suggested that he could then continue on against the Turks when his job was done, at no charge to Venice. Henry VIII contacted the Pope, telling him that he would be willing to ally with Venice and the Papacy against the French, and he suggested that James would be a good commander for Venice. Despite all of this, Venice released one of their prisoners, the Marquis of Mantua, and engaged him as their commander-in-chief.

James, however, did not give up on the idea of a crusade. He asked Louis XII, through his ambassador, Andrew Forman, Bishop of Moray, how many men, ships, and money, he could contribute to the fight against Turkey. Louis made no direct answer, saying that he could not make peace with the Papacy without the approval of his ally, Maximilian. He did, however, send Forman on to Rome to act as ambassador for France as well as Scotland.

Julius II had refused to see any French ambassador. James suggested that Louis XII send the Duke of Albany, James' uncle, who was living in France. Albany, a Scottish subject, later served as regent to James' son, James V, but he was born and had lived in France all of his life. James IV hoped that Albany, sort of half Scottish and half French, would be received by the Pope, but Julius refused to see him.

In addition to sending Forman and Albany, James wrote letters to Julius, Maximilian, the Duke of Savoy, the King of Hungary, and several Cardinals, attempting to mediate the disputes between Louis and the Holy See and end the conflict between them. If France and the Pope would make peace, then, and only then, could he continue his plans for a crusade. While Albany never made it to Rome, Forman arrived in February 1511 and was given an audience with Julius in May. Although Julius was very impressed with the Scottish ambassador and told James that Forman would be made a Cardinal at the soonest opportunity (this never took place), the Bishop was not able to end the war.

At the same time, James was having a few problems with his English neighbor, as well as the King of Portugal. Three decades before, John Barton, a Scottish subject, was sailing near Portugal when his ship was captured by the Portuguese. His three sons, John, Andrew, and Robert, all high in the king's favor, were issued letters of marque against the Portuguese by James III. These letters were later renewed by James IV at various times.

In 1506 the Barton sons brought the grievance up again and the letters of marque were once again renewed. Within a year, Robert Barton had captured a Portuguese ship and as a result he found himself in jail at the demand of some Portuguese merchants. Oddly enough, he was imprisoned in the friendly town of Vlissingen in the Netherlands. James protested to Maximilian, Margaret of Savoy, the Governor of the Netherlands, as well as the Town Bailiff and Barton was released.

In 1509, John Barton, using the ship used earlier by his brother Robert, the Lion, captured another Portuguese ship. He proceeded to take its goods without bothering to inquire about who the cargo belonged to. The goods were owned, in part, by an Englishman. The merchant sued Barton in December 1509, but the Scottish Lords of Council deferred their decision indefinitely and nothing came of it.

The next protest came from Emmanuel of Portugal, in June 1510. James' response to the protest was to suspend the Barton's letters of marque for a season. However, the Scottish King did not take any other action and the letters were renewed the next year. In the same year, James' uncle, King John of Denmark, asked the Scot for the use of the Bartons and their ships. John issued letters of protection for both Andrew and Robert Barton.

In March of the next year, Andrew Barton looted goods belonging to some Antwerp merchants. Margaret of Savoy sent an envoy to Edinburgh to complain. Again, the Lords of Council delayed and took no action. Barton had, by that time, returned to Denmark, since John of Denmark had again asked for the services of the Bartons. James IV also renewed their letters of marque.

Andrew Barton again sailed south in the Lion. He plundered another ship that was loaded with English goods, saying that they were Portuguese. This time, however, the victim merchants did not take their case to the Scottish Lords of Council, but rather to Henry VIII. Taking the case in this matter was in violation of the Treaty of 1502 which had been renewed in 1509. Henry was required to take the complaint to the Lords of Council or to the Scottish Warden of the Marches. If no answer was given in six months, then the English King could issue letters of marque and take the matter into his own hands. Instead, Henry ordered Sir Edward Howard, the Admiral of England, and his brother Thomas Lord Howard to deal with Barton. They put to sea in June 1511.

They caught Barton on his way to Scotland. Although outgunned, Barton refused to strike his flag. His calls to encourage his men are preserved in a popular ballad:

"Ffight on my men; says Sir Andrew Barton  
These English doggs they bit see lowe;  
Ffight on ffor Scotland and Saint Andrew  
Till you heave my whistle blowe."

His crew fought on and did not surrender until their captain was mortally wounded and captured. James IV was stricken by Barton's death. His greatest sea-captain was dead and he demanded the arrest of the murderers. Invoking the treaty of 1502, he called for the Howards to appear before the court of the English Warden of the Marches. The treaty called for the guilty to be handed over to the Scottish Warden.

Henry argued that Andrew Barton was a pirate and a justice was done by his death. His crew, which had been imprisoned by Thomas Cardinal Wolsey, Henry's Chancellor, was released, and Henry pointed out that they, too, would have been killed if justice were to be truly served. In response, James announced that he would send six commissioners to meet with Henry's ambassador at the next Court of the Warden. Although Henry issued safe-conduct passes to these six, the Venetian ambassador in London reported that English troops were moving north at the same time. In late July, Henry ordered a review of his garrisons in Carlisle, Berwick, and Norham, and on 16 August 1511, Thomas Lord Darcy was appointed Captain of Berwick.

At this point of near-war between the two kingdoms, Howard argued for a declaration of war, and he almost got his wish. Wolsey and Fox (another of Henry's advisors), however, prevailed upon Henry to keep the peace and the English king sent Nicholas West to the Scottish Court. West was authorized to settle any quarrels between the subjects of James and Henry. West never did get to Edinburgh. Also at this time, Henry sent 1,000 sailors and artillery to Margaret of Savoy for use against the Duke of Guelders, who was an ally of James. By September he asked for them back for possible use against the Scots.

[This story of sixteenth century diplomacy and war will continue next issue, and will be finished in issue #16. As I retype this I am often reminded of circumstances I have been through in Diplomacy games that are similar.

I've got a few lines here, so I'll let you know what you can do if you want to write an article for RM. If you want to type it, set your margin for 1 1/2 cm. Each column measures 39 cm long before reduction. Don't feel you have to type it though. For good history (like this), I'll pay five issues per column (or the cash equivalent). I reserve the right to read it first before promising to pay, of course.]



# FOOT IN MOUTH

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This is the 6th issue of America's newest, and hopefully best voted subzine for 1984, FIM. Its put out by me, and for those of you who do not know who me is, tough. If you care to write to me, I reside at 160-02 43 Ave Flushing, NY. 11358, but Berch only knows why you'd want to write to me when you can write to J. Woodson instead. Yep, this issue is in RM-RM because I couldn't think of where else to send one of these. Since James'neer told me I couldn't send one here, I figured that meant he would accept it. How do you all like my figuring? Besides, Raging Maine is one of my favorite zines now, and I have to keep my favorites good so they continue to publish. Notice, I haven't sent a FIM to COA and Woody is folding shortly. To remember, wherever FIM doesn't appear, that zine will eventually fold. (Snicker- thats like saying if you breathe you will eventuall die)

Did any of you decide to enter RM's new contest? I didn't. Why? No, not becruse I couldn't cheat, but because the contests are too tough. Why can't James make a contest like Dave Carter- an easy one every once in a while. Instead, he opts for contests that only a genius or a cheater or he himself could win. In other words, the contests are pointed on purpose to allow Mark Frueh and Jim Makuc to win. I think we should have the PDO prosecutor look into this. I'm taking you to an ombudsman James.

Speaking of ombudsmen, guess who won the Nixon Award? Yep, Mark "I'd rather lie and stab you then ally with you" Frueh, of the infamous Mad-Bad crowd, you know, the guys that stab for 1 dot. Speaking of Mark and the Madones, they are having a FTF Con over the Memorial Day weekend appropriately called MadCon II. But this is a unique con. All the Mad-lads wanted to host this one this year, and to solve the problem, they have decided to hold the 1st ever, Roving Con. They will be drinking beer from house to house, and in between as well, no doubt, besides gaming and passing vicious gossip about the 14/8 non-attending hobbyists. For more information, write to Mark or James Wall, or Marc Peters or Dale Bakken. I'll let James look up their addresses.

Speaking of Dale Bakken- to the right is a personal profile of one, Dale Bakken, submitted by one of his friends. Notice how uncharacteristically calm Dale looks. Why even his head is on straight. Must be nice to have friends that look out for you, eh Dale? With friends like that, who needs enemies. At least they have good taste, tho I prefer Molsen myself, and I'm not a beer drinker. Stand up and take a bow now Dale.



Another almost Madlad is in the news again. Well not again, but anew in RM. Did you all read that nonsense Mark wrote last month? That is exactly how he writes his zine. And people say that 1/EE is confusing. We could take lessons from Veggy. Seriously tho, Mark puts out a real nice looking and entertaining zine. Say not ask him for a sample. I think this ought to confuse the rest of you. Hahahaha

Hey, speaking of confusing, Don Del Grande is complaining again. This time its about not having a ByrneCon for him when he visits in June. Ueh/ he said. But Don? Of course we will have a ByrneCon for you, the weekend after MaryCon, if you come up, and you are more than welcome.

Gues I should sign off about now. Don't want to overbore you with my excellence. Take care and have fun.....

## Letters and Cards

First up, with some Oscar predictions (received well in advance of the ceremony) and other movie stuff, our resident expert, Mark Fruch:

My picks of the Oscars - (Again a good year for movies)

Best Picture - All deserving but "Terms of Endearment" will take it!

Best Actress - Shirley MacLaine for "Terms of Endearment"

Best Actor - Very close. Up for grabs between Robert Duvall for "Tender Mercies" and Albert Finney for "The Dresser". My choice is Robert Duvall - whenever an actor can convey feelings and ideas just by his presence on the screen there is something special.

Best Director - Again a close race, between Bergman and James Brooks [for "Fanny and Alexander" and "Terms of Endearment"]. I believe Brooks will take it. Bergman deserves it though.

And like Bill Murray - who really cares for supporting actor & actress (besides the actors & actresses) anyway.

In a month or so I have a very hot item for you. I saw the working print for "Top Secret", a new movie by the same writers of "Kentucky Fried Movie" & "Airplane" (the original). It's going to soar! Comes out June 8th. All the summer films are going to be fantastic - "Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom" (like being allied with Carl Russell) and "Star Trek III, In Search of Spock". Great summer coming!

MadCon II is going to be fantastic!

[Well, Mark, you did pretty good on your predictions. Every one that you mentioned was correct. I recently saw "Terms" and enjoyed it. I still liked "The Big Chill" better, but they were both excellent. I'm looking forward to your 'sneak preview' of that new movie. Raging Main could even scoop Variety on this one, right? See you at MadCon.

For those of you who couldn't figure it out, this is James in the script print.]

The next letter here, and he talks about a lot of things, is Brad Wilson:

On the latest RM: Happy birthday! Happy flying!

On soccer: Frankly, I find soccer dull. No strategy. My high school had a quite good team, usually about 22-2-2. They were a bunch of jerks, though, so I never cared much about them. They tended to always blow the most important game of the season. Maybe that's where my dislike of soccer springs from. It must be a neat sport if so many people like it, but I'll take basketball, baseball, and track anyway.

On Olympics: the Hockey team was victim of WAY too much hype. They simply weren't all that good. On the other hand, I thought our alpine skiers really showed very well. If Olympic judging was fair we'd have won our first medal(s) in Nordic skiing too. All in all, as you say, we did pretty well. Wait till summer: Carl Lewis, Evelyn Ashford, Greg Louganis, Wayman Tisdale, Mary Decker, Greg Foster, Steve Scott, James Robinson, whee!! A good quiz might be asking to identify all the Summer Olympics events. There's about 25 or so (I'm not sure how many). Some are easy (track) others (canoeing) not so.

On films: Best Picture; I've seen all but "The Dresser". No picture has touched me like "The Big Chill" did in a long time. It gets my vote hands down. So poignant and beautiful!! "Terms of Endearment" is good TV sitcom, not a real film. Best Actor: Duvall deserves it after all these years - he was good in "Mercies". Actress - I haven't seen "Silkwood" or "Testament", but Shirley MacLaine was OK in "Terms". My pick would be Glenn Close but... Yentl no nominations? Thank God. I really, really liked "The Big Chill". I'm always big on character development in a movie, and I could see myself and my friends in that situation in, say, 1994; so I really got into it. Also it was flat-out well written and directed. Also it tied the soundtrack into the action - cf. the opening credits/action to "I heard It Through the Grapevine" A 5 star film.

On the silly person in 82HT who makes a big deal about Georgia Tech: Hey, wake up! Tech was 18-10 with a padded schedule. I could coach a Division I team to wins over Alabama A&M (well known soccer power, but a hoop patsy), Flagler (do they make flags?), Augustana College (probably good at golf, but basketball?), Wolford - did Aunt Jenima go there? So there's four wins over Division II & III patsies. A Division I against them is like a rhino versus a puppy. Then, I see wins over Appalachian St. and South Carolina St. SC St's conference is one of the weakest in the country. So there's six ridiculous wins. Central Michigan? Hmm, they were 11-16 in a weak conference and you beat them by two at home! Oh, there's a win over Maryland-Eastern Shore. They were 7-21 in SC States' conference. So I've found 8 "gimme" wins for Tech. Winning at Pepperdine is kind of impressive, but they were barely a .500 team. And Tech can't win on the road - losses at Maryland, Clemson, UNC, NC State, Virginia (91-59?) and Wake Forest plus a loss to Georgia at the Omni. So how many of Tech's wins are impressive? Three. 58-56 at Duke, 57-54 over Alabama at a neutral site and 68-66 over Wake at home. Maybe 60-47 at home against NC State, but... Tech is an average team at best, good at home, but terrible on the road and with a schedule that has more creampuffs than a bakery. Play Arkansas, Villanova, Michigan, DePaul, Va. Commonwealth and LSU and go 13-10 and then blow your horn.

On business cards: I'm enclosing one from Kathy Byrne's favorite Chinese restaurant!

On NBA/college: Well, it might be true that the NBA has unsurpassed talent, but Akeem Abdul Olajuwon, Pat Ewing, Wayman Tisdale, Chris Mullin, Michael Jordan, etc., etc. aren't bad. I'm a fan of both - leaning to college. There's only one Dr. J - watching him is a real treat. As for Daryl Dawkins, I watched him for years in Philadelphia and he'd look like a star one night and pure garbage the next. I'm glad we foisted him off on New Jersey. College provides a much better atmosphere than pro. I'm used to watching games in small Eastern pits where the crowd is right on top of the action and is into the action; indeed, Al McGuire and Denny Crum both have sworn never to take teams into Philadelphia's Palestrum again because the crowd is too much of an advantage. The NBA's major faults are: 1) the zone ban, as you pointed out 2) the meaningless, marathon regular season; 3) too high ticket prices; 4) and no 1+1 fouls. Next time I'll write you a real article about this, OK? (typed and everything!)

Can't wait for baseball, so I can lounge in Wrigley Field with my beer and hot dog or in Comisky Park. Then I get home to my only team, my first love in baseball - my only love in baseball, and my obsession from April-October - the Phillies. Aah, yes, the Phillies. The name just sounds good. Down with the Dodgers!!

How about those Padres? With the Goose, if they can stay injury-free and a little better pitching, I look for them to make a real run at the Dodgers. They certainly have enough speed and defense; and since San Diego isn't a homerun park they don't need a Schmidt, they've got enough power. Where do you see your boys doing? I look for my Phils to be right in it again, with the Pirates looking very tough. The Cardinals will be nasty is they get some pitching - they have no power to speak of, they depend on running/bulpen; if they get behind too much they're dead. Expos? No characters. They'll miss Oliver. My picks:

NL East - 1) Pha 2) Pit 3) Mtl 4) StL 5) Chi 6) METS  
NL West - 1) SD 2) LA 3) Hou 4) Atl 5) SF 6) Cin

My pet hates: Pirates, Dodgers.

Toodle-o-o,  
Brad

[Well, where do I start? Your comments about soccer show you to be a typical American. Did you know that more kids in the USA play youth soccer than Little League baseball and pee-wee football combined? As a participation sport soccer will continue to be very popular. It takes very little equipment and you don't have to be big to be good. As a spectator sport, it has two faults. Not enough scoring for Americans and, more importantly, it enjoys watching it, you must understand the strategies (like any sport) and people here in the US don't.

Your comments about "The Big Chill" are all true. It was an excellent movie. I loved the soundtrack! The opening credits, as you said, were fantastic with "Heard It Through the Grapevine".

About baseball, this is going to be the Padres' year! What more need I say. So far all is going well. As I type, they are 13-6 and leading the west. The only disturbing fact is their loss of four out of five to the Dodgers so far (thru 4/26). Last year we played them 12-6.]

We've got another movie opinion. It's from Mike Kettman:

Just a few notes I thought I would submit with my orders. First, enclosed is a check extending my subscription. I enjoy your magazine and its style very much. Keep the good work!

Also congratulations on your flight. I have flown as a passenger many times on planes. I doubt if I ever could take control of the plane. I admire your courage.

I'd like to submit the following list for best movies:

- 1) "The Big Chill"
- 2) "The Big Chill"
- 3) "The Big Chill"

It was a great movie and I enjoyed seeing it 3 times.

[Thanks for the kind words about RM, and for the movie picks. I was sorry to see the Oscars ignore "The Big Chill". I'm wondering, Mike, what does an OSU alumnus think about the fact that the film dealt with a bunch of Wolverines?]

I did received a sub check along with this note from Bruce Linsey:

Here's my sub check. Thanks for lowering your rates just for me!

I agree entirely with you that college basketball beats the heck out of the NBA. College hoop is often thrilling, with intense rivalries and style of play. Pro basketball is boring, and always will be till they make the rim 12 feet high.

The UCLA Bruins of the Walton era are the greatest college team of all time, and there are many pro teams they would have kicked.

[Raising the rim to 12' is an idea I've heard before, and while I agree that it would make it a better game, I'll be surprised if it ever happens. The dunk is too popular, and besides, the rim has been at 10' forever and people are very slow to change. Especially something that drastic. Good idea, but why not go to 15'?)

Comments on sports and other things from my Co-Olsen-toady, Kathy Byrne:

Now that I finished that horrible movie quiz, I don't ever want to see one like it again. I should get a free issue just for sticking it out. [you are] At least there is one good point. I didn't win Woody's picture.

By the way, I agree with Jim Briggs -- research should be outlawed in these contests. Anyone can spend hours looking up the answers (except me. I don't have the time), but the real test of your knowledge is doing these contests off the top of your head.

Now that baseball season is upon us I want you to know that my Mets will play .500 ball this year. Remember, you heard it here first! Now that the Phillies got rid of all their old men, you will see diaper league baseball. Also Ron Canuckie Brown might see Pete Rose as an asset for the Expos, but Rose is really a stand up comic especially when he's in the outfield!

[I can't say that I agree with all that you say. I think the Mets could do quite well this year, but wouldn't put money on it. Rose was, in the past, an excellent defensive outfielder. Whether he still has it or not is yet to be seen.

No, you did not win Woody's picture, but I thank you for donating it for the contest. Mark Frueh will win in and I know he's got big plans for it.]

Speak of the devil, here's the object of the photo, Steve Annawoodian: The letter is mostly in what I believe to be Woody's handwriting, but there are parts that look like Kathy's.

Dear Jimbo,

I hate to tell you this but you are a fool. (I'll second that! Kathy) Creep is now forging my signature, Kathy is Kathy not that chicken scribble that Woody tried to pass off.

Creep, HA HA, Byrne. I, Woody wrote that, not Dick Martin.

Anyway, Jim, the reason this letter is to inform you that you are (the brother of an asshole) strictly forbidden from mailing or giving my photo to anyone, as a prize, booby or otherwise. If you do not abide by my wishes I will report you to Rod Walker & Robert Sacks (the Bobsey twins). If that doesn't work we'll go to the FBI as mailing of photos across state lines is prohibited. Also, I do not wish to be used as a dartboard.

If you do not abide by my wishes I'll go to Dafne Langley (long time gypsy) & get a voodoo doll of you!

Woody

[I can always count on you, Woody, for a kind word when I need it. I'm sorry, but the picture is going to the winner. I'm not sure I understand the turn around in your attitude. Just last summer you advertised the fact that the photo was a prize in your own 'zine. You even offered to autograph it for the winner. In light of this letter, I'm not mailing it to you for the autograph.]

I've got another letter from the winner of that photo, Mark Frueh:

MadCon II: I hope you can make it up here - planning on having over 30 players. Carl Russell is even coming out.

If I win the movie trivia contest, I have put a lot of work into the contest. I want Woody's picture (and Makuc knows that) and some free issues. I'm willing to give up 6 months of issues to second and third place.

Was in St. Louis last week - Matt Fleming, Nancy Irwin and I saw "Vertigo". We had a good time (Matt and I) thinking about some difficult trivia questions for you! We had fun!

[As you can see, Woody, your photo is in high demand. A month ago, I thought I had lost it. I looked for it and couldn't locate it. I figured it was misplaced in one of my numerous moves. I knew that Mark and Jim would have screamed bloody murder if I failed to produce the prize. Fortunately, I have since found it.]

In line with Mark's last paragraph, I received this from Matt Fleming:

All right...so you know so much about movies do you? Try THESE questions on for size!!

- 1- In the movie "Vertigo", what kind of car does Jimmy Stewart drive?
  - 2- What kind of car does Kim Novak drive, in the same movie?
  - 3- Also in "Vertigo", how many buttons does Barbara Bel Geddes have on her identical red and white shirts?
  - 4- What was the name of the monastery where Kim Novak falls to her death?
  - 5- How does Hitchcock make an appearance in the film?
  - 6- What distinctive article of clothing does Stewart wear throughout the film?
  - 7- What is the name of the woman Kim Novak tries to appear as?
  - 8- What was the name of the hotel that was formerly the woman's home?
  - 9- What actress plays the innkeeper at the hotel?
  - 10- Have you given up yet?
- nyah, nyah... catch me if you can!!

[Sorry, Matt, I've never seen "Vertigo". However, if it comes here to Corpus, I'll be sure to get out and see it. Perhaps, we can look for it while at MadCon? Any of you readers care to try these questions? If I get any attempts, I'll get Matt to supply the answers.]

And now, a combination of parts of a couple of letters from Mark Fassio: (try that on for size, Ed.)

Just a short note this time around--we just got done doing 2 week's worth of different wargame/nobility exercises, and Kid was an evaluator on all of them. We're talking 17-hr. days one week and 14 hr. days the next! Add to that a case of the flu, a couple of headaches and run-of-the-mill bureaucracy things, and suffice it to say I'm glad it's Friday!

I have to come in this weekend and do some slides for a big conference, but after that, March should come in "like a lamb," as far as deadlines/suspenses go...

How's things with you? Hope all's well in chopper-land. I talked to Hager (in letters) and he says there are three "separate" navies--navair, surface and sub-surface. Like I told him, you're all swabs to me (har har and har!)

Hoped you liked the abuse I sent in against Hager and the USN in general. You guys have more stones than I, to be at sea all that time...yuck. More power to you.

Other than that, not much else to say, except "way to go" on the damn photo contest guess in EE! You'll get you "just desserts" back in my next ESAD reply (coming to a neighborhood EE near you)...

[next letter]

Yeah, I'm gettin cheaper every letter--now I don't even use a full sheet of paper, huh?! Actually, I'm trying to get my moves typed and then go run and do some exercises. I hear we may have another IG exercise either this WEEKEND (arghhh!) or on Monday morning... eat drink and be merry, for tomorrow you may be evaluated...

I look forward to Ken Hager's rebuttal to my article; he warned me about lumping all the different "naval titles" (underwater, surface and air) into one clump, and now I must "pay the price," HAR HAR. Rest easy, my bilge-buddy, I shall respond, barrage for barrage!!

Not much else to say, old bean. Hope your flying and other assorted sundries have been going well, and we (Margie and I) wish you the best in your endeavors.

I'll give you an updated COA in about a month, once the Stone Age personnel system gets my orders to me...

Take care, buddy, and drop me a line if you ever get a free memento. Looking forward to Monterey! Hope you don't have to endure "the South" much longer! Love that RM!

Faz

[Thanks for the letters, Faz. I always enjoy what you send me. Once you get settled in Monterey, you can (I probably shouldn't invite attacks on the Navy like this, but...) send me an article on what the Navy looks like up close to a Zoomie like yourself.

I should be sentenced to live in the South until the end of the year, when (hopefully) I'll get to return to San Diego. Actually, Texas really doesn't seem like "the South". It's Texas, and that's bad enough. People here think of themselves as Texans first and Americans second. I've seen Texas state flags flown alongside the Stars and Stripes, at the same height, more than once down here. (Not on base, of course) I'll try and get you a letter before this sees print.]

Who else could I follow Faz with, but Ken Hager:

No literary masterpieces this month. After all, it's Faz's turn. However, this rivalry seems to have deteriorated so it's time to lay off Faz and start trying to get others involved. Have to see what I can come up with.

I left Rockwell last month and went to work for The Aerospace Corporation. It's a government think tank that serves the Air Force's Space Division. Just think, I'm supporting the Air Force while Faz is headed for the Navy PG School. Poetic justice, huh?

Keep up the good work on Raging Main and be sure to keep up your column on Naval history. Someone has to educate these novices.

[I shall certainly keep up the history. I like to think that it will keep RM a cut above an average run-of-the-mill 'zine. If I can't find the time to write it, I'm willing to pay well for anything interesting and well written. Printing my final college project should run through two more issues and I should be able to get something written by that time. I'll need something, especially if I start another game I'll have to have one for the game's name-sake.]

Some hometown newspaper comments from a transplanted Minnesotan, Steve Knight:

Call me a sentimental fool, but I actually miss the Mpls. Star and Trib. Sure, you can't beat the Post for straight reportage, but I always liked feature stories a lot, and Mpls. had some great feature writers. The Post's are kind of uneven in comparison, and a little too, well, cosmopolitan for my taste. Then again, I am still getting used to things around here, so I may change my way of thinking; who knows?

Congratulations on making twelve issues! Here's to your naking another several dozen! (Ohrigod -- two sentences in a row ended in exclamation points. I'm writing like Kathy Byrne! Stop it Steve.)

[Yes, I have to admit that the Star and Trib had some good features. One of my favorites (written several summers ago during the CSW craze following "Urban Cowboy") was about how to be a cowboy. In the section about dressing like a cowboy was the following bit. (the words are close to the actual) "The key to a cowboy's wardrobe is his belt-buckle. In choosing the right size buckle, keep trying on bigger sizes until one pulls you over. Then buy the next biggest size."



## Movie Trivia - The End at Last!

I've got one small problem. with this last installment. My copy of the questions (which, by the way, came from the Chicago Tribune) has been misplaced. The problem is that the answers were with them, and I don't have them. Luckily, I know some of them and can tell if your answers are right or not, so scoring your guesses will be no problem. As soon as I find the answers, I'll pass them on to you. Sorry.

96. In "My Favorite Year," Peter O'Toole plays flamboyant actor Alan Swann, but what is Swann's real name? ---

MMF: Lester Peabody? KB: Goldstien MJF: James Woodson

97. Name the textile mill that Sally Field successfully union-organizes in "Norma Rae". --- J.P. Stevens

MMF: J.P. Stevens (1 point) KB: Sweat shop MJF: Owen's fabrics

98. How were Jennifer Jones' parents killed in "Portrait of Jennie"? --- In a trapeze accident

MMF: Tainted Girl Scout Cookies KB: Car crash MJF: Car wreck (they trusted their shoufer (sic) Caruso)

99. What country served as the priciple setting for the Bob Hope mystery-comedy "The Ghost Breakers"? --- Cuba

MMF: Cuba (1 point) KB: England MJF: England

100. Whose baseball-hitting career is Robert Mitchum following throughout "Farewell My Lovely"? --- Joe Dimaggio

MMF: Lou Gerhig? KB: Babe Ruth MJF: Ted Williams

101. In "Captain Kidd," Charles Laughton, as the famed buccaneer, sinks a ship after looting it and buries its treasure. Name that ship. --- The Twelve Apostles

MMF: HMS We got loot! KB: Svez MJF: The Lion

102. What actress played all of the following characters: Anna Holm, Monica Rivers, Peggy O'Neal and Michelle de la Becque? --- Joan Crawford

MMF: Ingrid Bergman KB: Leslie Carron MJF: Bette Davis

103. What actor played all of the following characters: Jerry McKibbin, Joe Gillis, Eric Erickson and Bernie Dodd? --- William Holden

MMF: Jerry Lewis KB: James Stewart MJF: Paul Muny

104. What is engraved on Barbara Stanwyck's ankle bracelet in "Double Indemnity"? --- Phyliss (or her first name)

MMF: A Heart KB: Insignificant MJF: Husband's name

105. Under what assumed name does Janet Leigh register at the Bates Motel in "Psycho"? ---

MMF: Janet Leigh KB: Mary Smith MJF: Doris Hays

106. Who speaks the following line and in what film. "The one thing in this whole stinking world that I'm sure of is my partnership, my chromosomal partnership, in the creation of our blond-eyed, blue-haired son." --- Richard Burton in "Whose Afraid of Virginia Wolf"

JM: Hitler, "The Boys from Brazil", MMF: Richard Burton in "Whose Afraid..." (2 points) KB: "Kramer vs. Kramer" MJF: Steve Martin

107. What is the only thing that a skeptical Natalie Wood wanted from Santa Claus in "Miracle on 34th Street"? --- A house

MMF: A "home" KB: A house with a swing in the backyard (1 point) MJF: Skates

108. The name Sergius Bauer should recall a 1944 Oscar-winning psychological thriller. Name the film and the actor who played Bauer. --- Charles Boyer in "Gaslight"

MMF: Charles Boyer - "Gaslight" (2 points) KB: Bela Lugosi - "Frankenstein" MJF: "Gaslight" (1 point)

109. What three actors all played Quasimodo in "The Hunchback of Norte Dame"? --- Charles Laughton, Lon Chaney, Sr. & Anthony Quinn

JM: Charles Laughton, Anthony Quinn (1½ points) MMF: Charles Laughton (1 point) KB: Charles Laughton, Lon Chaney, Sr. & Boris Karloff (1½ points) MJF: Anthony Quinn, Paul Muny (1 point)

110. Jack Soo owns a nightclub in "The Flower Drum Song." What is the name of the place? ---

MMF: Sammy Fong's Place? (character's name) KB: Thank God It's Over ((AMEN!)) MJF: The old 1-2

This month's scores: Frueh: 7; Byrne: 2½; Fleming: 2; Makuc: 1½.

The overall scores: Frueh: 68; Makuc: 52; Keller: 30½; Byrne: 17; Fleming: 9½; Briggs: 9½; Caruso: 6; Wall: 5; Acheson: 3; Del Grande: 2; Michalski: 1; Rosenzweig: 1.

And now for the prizes! Mark Frueh wins ten free issues AND the photo of Woody! Jim Makuc will get 3 issues, Mark Keller, 2, and everyone else who participated will get one free issue. Looking at that list, I know that Brad Wilson tried some of the questions even though he's not on the list. He'll get an issue too. Anyone else I missed?

## New and Improved Trivia

I am quite pleased by the response to the new general knowledge trivia contest. I hope that this interest will continue. I find that writing ten questions each month is no real problem, but finding a good mixture of topics is not as easy. If any of you wish to contribute a question or two, just send them in. Be sure to include the answers, too.

Those that sent in answers for round #1 were: Jim Briggs, Don Del Grande, Matt Fleming, Gregg Fritz, Scott Luckenbill, Mike Kettman, Jim Makuc, Paul Rosenzweig, Sumner Steinfeldt, Rod Walker, James Wall, Judy Winsome, Brad Wilson, and John Woodson (my father).

## Trivia - continues:

1. "The Lord of All Indoors" -- This nickname belongs to Steve Zungul, a player for the Golden Bay Eartquakes. Zungul was named the MVP of the recently completed NASL Indoor season. I was surprised that four of you got this one right. (DDG, MF, JuW, JoW)

JB, SS, JaW: Pele

GF: Georgio Chinalgia

JM: GOD?

PR: Julie Veeze [good guess]

RW: Do North Americans play soccer?

BW: Karl-Heinz Granitza

2. Fictional characters' drinks:

a) Frank Furillo -- Most of you got the fact that he is a recovering alcoholic and does not drink liquor, but only two got the correct answer of club soda (JB, MK)

DDG: Tea?

MF: Ginger ale with lime

GF: Who's Capt. Frank Furillo?

JM: Non-alcoholic beverage

PR, SS: Water

JaW: Orange juice

BW: Scotch

JuW: Annisette

b) James Bond -- The correct answer in 'vodka martini, shaken, not stirred'. SL, PR, & JaW got it 100% correct, but I'm going to give ½ credit to some of you.

JB: Gin martini, crushed ice, shaken, not stirred (½)

DDG: Vodka martini (can't remember shaken or stirred) (½)

MF: Scotch, straight

GF, MK, JuW, JoW: Martini (½)

SS: Martini, shaken, not stirred (½)

JM: Double Walker's Deluxe Bourbon on ice

RW: Vodka martini, stirred, not shaken. (½)

BW: Champagne

c) J.R. Ewing -- Being a good southern gentleman, J.R. drinks bourbon and branch water. Answering correctly were MF, MK, PR, JM, SS, BW, JuW, JoW. I also accepted just bourbon.

DDG: Beer

GF: Whiskey

JaW: Hot Toddy

d) Mike Hammer -- Mike usually asks for beer and MF, MK, JM & BW got it right.

DDG: 20-year-old scotch

PR: A Colt .45 "of course"

SS: Scotch

JaW: Bourbon

JuW: Rye

3. What letter was Princess Anne listed under? -- I didn't expect anyone to get this one, but Del Grande came up with it. She was listed under "H" for "Her Royal Highness".

MF, MK, JM, PR, SS, RW, BW, JoW: W for Windsor

GF: P for Princess Anne

JaW: M for Mountbatten-Windsor

JuW: R

4. "The Lion in Winter", Which English king and queen? -- One of my all-time favorite movies, starred Peter O'Toole as Henry II and Katherine Hepburn as Eleanor of Aquitaine. Well done to those who knew this, MF, JM, SS, JaW, & RW.

JB: Henry II, ? (½)

DDG: Richard Coeur-de-Leon [no, Richard was in the movie and played by Anthony Hopkins. He was Henry II's son.]

MK: Henry II & Katherine of Aragon (½)

PR: Mary Queen of Scots?

BW: Henry VIII & Anne Boleyn

JuW: Nat King Cole and Queen Isabella

5. What is the "Land of Enchantment"? -- New Mexico, identified by JB, MF, GF, MK, SL, JM, PR, RW, & BW.

DDG: Nebraska

SS: South Dakota (probably New Mexico)

JaW: Maine

JuW: New Jersey

6. The nicknames for the Kidd-class destroyers. I thought maybe Fritz or Luckenbill would get it since they are currently in the US Navy, but neither one knew. But Brad Wilson got the right answer (a guess, I suspect), they are known as the Ayatolla-class.

DDG: Iran Cans

MF: Good question, how about Pahlavi, the dynastic name.

SS: The Four Persians

JaW: The Hostages??

RW: Khomeini Specials??

7. What does Ed tell Johnny before giving Carnac the envelopes? The answer: "Hermedically sealed in a mayonaise jar on Funk & Wagnal's porch since noon today." JoW got it all, but partial credit goes for identifying, 'hermedically sealed' (JB, GF, JM), 'mayo jar' (DDG, GF, MK, SL, JM), 'Funk & Wagnal's porch' (JB, DDG, GF, MK, SL, JaW) and 'noon today' (DDG). (½ point for each)

MF: "These envelopes have been kept in a jar in so and so's place.."

PR: In a 'pickle jar' hidden away for a while.

SS: At Price Waterhouse

RW: Didn't John Carson go out with Ed Sullivan?

BW: in a drunken condition

JuW: Here's another one Johnny

8. Origin of the word 'disestablishmentarianism'. A few of you were on the right track, but only Walker was close enough for credit. His answer (and it's quite a mouthful) is, "The Church of England is the Established Church. Those who do not want an 'official' church in England are Disestablishmentarians. Those who oppose them (and hence are in favor of C of E) are Antidisestablishmentarians. The position they hold is antidisestablishmentarianism. There are some people who only pretend to be in that camp. They are Psuedoantidisestablishmentarians. There are some, however, who tend really to support the position they are pretending to espouse, and they are Semipseudoantidisestablishmentarians. Some are in the beginning stages of drifting over to that situation and are Presemipseudoantidisestablishmentarians. And then...."

Specifically, the issue that produced this word was debate over the disestablishment of the Church of England in Ireland. This church was in the odd position that it was the 'official' state church, but had almost no members. All the Irish were Catholics. Supposedly, Liberal Prime Minister William Gladstone used the word in a speech to Parliament.

DDG: Persons who didn't want England to break from the Catholic Church acted in this way.

GF: I'm not sure, but I think it had something to do with the hippie movement.

MK: Karl Marx's Communist Manifesto

JM: When they started breaking away from the church in England & the New World.

SS: English politics

JaW: SEX

JuW: The dictionary

PR: 1688 Revolution

9. '75 Reds' "Gold Dust Boys" -- MF, JM & BW correctly identified Rawly Eastwick and Will McEnany.

JB: Who cares about the REDs. Padres they ain't!

MK: Woody & Hayes

SS: McEnany & ? (½)

JaW: Pedro Borbon & Ross Grimsley (I'm a Reds fan & I do not remember. Piss me off!)

RW: Is that football or hockey?

JuW: Goldie Hawn & Herbert Gold

JuW: Eastwick & Tom Hume (½)

10. NAS Corpus Christi's biggest employer.--I didn't expect anyone to get this one, and I was right. The biggest employer on Naval Air Station Corpus Christi is the Corpus Christi Army Depot.

GF, JuW: U.S. Navy

MF, MK, JM, BW: U. S. Coast Guard

JB, DDG, PR, SS, RW, JaW, JuW: Beachcraft Aerospace

Our winner this month with 5 points is Matt Fleming. He gets a free issue and has a leg up on the overall competition. Hope to see you all back for more fun next month. The scores for this month:

Fleming - 5; Makuc - 4½; Wilson - 4; Kettman - 3½; Woodson - 3½; Walker - 3½; Del Grande - 3; Briggs - 2½; Steinfeldt - 2½; Fritz - 2; Rosenzweig - 2; Luckenbill - 2; Wall - 1½; Winsome - 1½.

## Round #2 Questions

1. I'll list four major league baseball teams and their home ballparks. For ½ point each name the park they played in before this one.

- a) Pittsburgh Pirates - Three Rivers Stadium
- b) St. Louis Cardinals - Busch Memorial Stadium
- c) Los Angeles Dodgers - Dodger Stadium
- d) Montreal Expos - Olympic Stadium

2. In January of 1981, 52 American hostages were released by their Iranian captors. This was the end of months of negotiations through Algerian middle-men. Who was the chief American negotiator?

3. The latin for the word 'right' is dextros, which is the root of the word 'dexterity'. However, what is the latin equivalent of 'left'?

4. What do Joan Collins, Terri Garr, Sally Kelleman, Ricardo Montalban, William Windom, and Jane Wyatt have in common.

5. Time magazine recently celebrated its 60th anniversary. In those 60 years, who has been featured on the cover more than anyone else?

6. In the movie "Mary, Queen of Scots" what two actresses played the starring roles of Mary and Elizabeth I?

7. In America, Halloween is a day when kids play pranks on each other, as well as unsuspecting strangers (just ask Jim Makuc). The English equivalent is celebrated on the 5th of November. What is name of this day? Bonus: Where did the day get its name?

8. In the election of 1844, James K. Polk defeated Henry Clay using the campaign slogan "54-40 or fight!". To what does '54-40' refer? Bonus: What was Clay's slogan?

9. In 1983, over 78 million people saw baseball games (majors, minors and college). This made it the #1 spectator sport in the country. But that honor had gone to another sport for each of the last thirty-one years. Name this sport that was bumped to #2.

10. Which zine is really Ed Krobil's favorite? (Ed's answer is automatically correct)

"Face of Seaweed is All Wet,"

or  
"Rebuttal to Rebuttal"

by Faz

Well, illustrious readers, I must publicly say "Ouch!" in reference to the 'beating' I took from Mssr. Hager in last issue's RM (his rebuttal to my article, for those of you in the unknowing world). Ken Hager danced across the pages like a young boxer, using sharp punches to wreck havoc against my fragile, beaten body. In contrast, I came off as a bare-foot buffoon, plunging bravely (but foolishly) into the minefields. Well, honor aside, this situation must be reversed; never let it be said that the "oldest" (Navy) is the best. More like: "Age before beauty."

I had considered the point of his article for about 2 nano-seconds (the attention span of Navy pilots) and then thought thought about my rebuttal to this scurrilous attack upon my service--rather than accept this typical Navy broadside against the USAF, I have decided to fire counterbattery salvoes at this Face of Seaweed, this Hager fellow. Oh, incidentally, for those of you unfamiliar with the Nez Perce' Indian language, "Ken Hager" sounds like "Gen Eyga," which is Nez Perce' for "Man with Bat Guano for Brains."

Now, with my opponent's background up front for all to see, I feel more at ease in replying to his half-truths and verbal assaults. I shall rebut each of his paragraphs in order.

1. The opening paragraph mentions that I smear the man, and not the issues; honestly, folks, DO YOU BELIEVE THAT jazz? I mean, after reading Nerdball Supreme's charge and then reading this reply to Mr. Bat Guano, I'm sure you'll see just who's telling the truth! No need to dwell on that charge!

2. Paragraph 2: same as above, only more.

3. I must concur with my Swab Friend's ideas in this one (partially). While we seem to disagree about minor points, we both agree with the concept of "AIR POWER" but go off in different directions when justifying the Air Force's ability to provide it.

While not exactly "looking for a credible "Air Force victory" to mention, I used Midway as an example of air supremacy over ships, NOT as an "Air Force victory," per se. Indeed, Navar Air shows the Catch-22 of shipborne air operations: Carriers will launch the air power needed to win at sea, but air power will spell the doom of carriers; you end up eating yourself from the tail, so to speak--one cannot exist/survive without the other.

Air power is used every day by the AF--from convoying essential supplies, to transporting troops, to "keeping the peace" by showing the flag in NATO's Forward Areas. Without the AF around, we'd have to rely on the Navy for all our NORAD air defense interceptors, as well as build ARMs for the central part of the country (unless we can sail the Nimitz up the Mississippi for air defense coverage against the BEARS and BLACKJACKS)?

4. In this paragraph, Ex-Navy person Hager asks me to explain what I meant by "OUR" ideas ("the Navy copied "OUR" ideas?"). Well, suffice it so say that everything has to start somewhere--we were "hatched" from the Army (as the Army Air Corps--remember us?), so we, "WE," were flying before you guys could spell "airplane." Hence the source of my use of the word "our" ideas; I reference the Army and the AAC.

Oh, as far as your claim about the USAF not downing any MiGs lately --true, although we don't sail into people's backyards looking for trouble. Besides, WE don't have the dubious claim of losing aircraft to the Syrians, either, Joe A-6. [touché]

5. On the role of space and "navies:" OK, OK...we'll take the titles used in a 1960 TV series (standard wiewing for all Navy types) and give you the benefit of the doubt. Just remember: for every "battlecruiser," "Starship," or Starcruiser" your "Admirals" command, there'll be a General in a Death Star, using "Tie FIGHTERS" to shoot you down.

6. Paragraph six slanders my historical data base, even though I only exposed an infinitesimally minute amount of wrong data there; I mean, so I can't count the number fo years the Civil War lasted--I'm not a math major! Sue me...suffice it to say I HAVE to know that type of historical stuff--PA, the "Keystone State," had a crucial battle fought on its soil (name it, kiddies)--more so than California, I dare say.

Yes, we must acknowledge the tenacity and smarts of Southern leaders--even though Stonewall Jackson's birthplace finally ended up in WEST Virginia. However, most of them succumbed to "Southernness," wherein honor, valor, and the glory of a charge in offense replaced, at times, the level-headed defense needed to fight the prolonged guerilla war--we only need reference the Northern Offensives by Lee in '62 and '63, as well as Bragg in TN and Hood at Atlanta. But I'm not here to recreate the Civil War; I'll leave that for the folks who try to keep modern service-life alive by quoting stale 100-year old statistics and battles--perhaps we can resurrect Admiral Porter and have him command the Saratoga? How about embalming John Paul Jones and give him command of Carrier Wing 5? I could go on, but you get the picture...

Chief Joseph and the Nez Perce', huh? Classic campaign still studied by the Army, eh? I believe it: with all the trouble they had trying to take Grenada and the poor showing of some Army-trained Salvadoran battalions, they seem like they're girding for war against Chief Joseph all over again! New inovation is necessary.

7. This paragraph is the clincher--so, Mr. Guano, I have no notable achievements the USAF can be proud of/make mention of, eh? How about the Berlin airlift? Or perhaps the transporting of troops for Grenada, the Iranian rescue mission, or a host of other tasks they so daily? Maybe we could mention the Linebacker operations that saw B-52s bombing Hanoi back to the bargaining table? Hmm???

Oh, yes, and heros: will Curtis LeMay (CinC SAC) do? How about Ira Eaker? Chuck Yeager? I realize they don't rank up there with Elmo Zumwalt, Hyman Rickover, and all the other "biggies" in the USN Hall of Fame, but I think they'll hold their own. (Tongue-in-cheek comparison intended).

8. The simple fact of the matter is this: air power saved many a grunt's behind in Korea and Vietnam. Air power also did the job in Korea. You can't use every aircraft as a moving machine gun and close air support platform, which is why it doesn't look so impressive when mentioning "BIG BATTLES" in the last two wars. But the USAF was there when needed; it doesn't need to sail around in billion-dollar boxes and wear Magnum, P.I. dress whites just to take a leak--it does its job in the way it exists: quiet professionalism.

In actuality, as I've stated before, I tend to AGREE with Mr. Hager's ideas as to the relevance of air power--I just don't think his glory boys should try and suck up all the credit that's due them. Even the Air Force does TASMO (tactical air support of maritime operations); so the interface is there--it just takes time for some of the "Upper Crust" Old School folks to realize they cannot do it all.

Perhaps Mr. Hager has some REAL historical matters of import he can discuss?

(DISCLAIMER): The above had BETTER be read with a pinch of sarcasm and humor, for that's the way it was intended; I have nothing but the highest regard for the sister services (as an ex-Army man, I still love those boys dearly) and I even respect the USN/USMC/Coast Guard, seasick landlubber that I am. I only drag everyone's name in the mud because Mr. Hager has forced me to do it in order to expose him for the tunnel-visioned slob that he is (JUST KIDDING, ALREADY!!!!).

Thanks, James, for the use of the space...and thanks, Ken, for the banter--now let's pick on those who really deserve it!

[And thank you, Faz and Ken, for the good natured 'debate'. I agree. It's time someone else got into the act. I've got a couple of Army subscribers. Jim Briggs is in the middle of a move, so I doubt he'll be able to contribute, but Bob Howerton, where are you? As usual, three issues go to the author of this (master)piece.]

1983-CA - Victory

Winter 1904/Spring 1905

ITALIANS SAIL TO NORTH ATLANTIC!

AUSTRIA (Bob Howerton): A BUL-Con, A SER-Gre, F GRE-Aeg, A RUM II, A Gal-SIL, A BOH S A Gal-SIL.

ENGLAND (Jim Makuc): A Edi-LVP, F NWY-StP(nc), F SKA-Swe, F LON supports confusion and indecisiveness (H).

FRANCE (Dale Bakken): A Bur-PIC, F ENG S A Bur-PIC, F IRI S F ENG, A Ruh-Bur (annihilated), F Spa(sc)-MID.

GERMANY (Ed Menders): A BEL-Bur, A Mun-RUH, A KIE S A Mun-RUH, A BER-Mun, F HOL-Bel, F NTH-Eng.

ITALY (John Caruso): Retreats F Ion-OTB; Builds F NAP; F Nap-ION, F Tyh-TUN, A TYO-Mun, A Pie-VEN, F Mid-NAT.

RUSSIA (Dan Gorham): Builds A MOS; F SWE-Ska, A StP-FIN, A MOS-StP, A Sev-Ukr, A WAR-Ukr.

TURKEY (Michael Quirk): Removes A Ank; F Ion-ADR, F SMY-Con, F EAS-Aeg.

PRESS:

VIENNA: The Turks are doomed!!

MOSCOW: On to Ankara!!

PARIS: Down with the English!!

MUNICH: Death to the Romans!!

LONDON: Destroy the Hun!!

ANKARA: Defend Constantinople!!

ROME: Long live Count Caruso!!

LONDON-WORLD: I'm so confused!!

IRELAND-BUR. PETE: You wouldn't like it here. You'd melt in all this rain!

FRANCE-RUSSIA: You've been pretty quiet over there. Who's your buddy, who's your pal?

GERMANY-FRANCE: I believe now that you would sleep with anything!

JOHN-KATHY: We don't need the comments from the peanut gallery.

Groucho already doesn't trust me.

ST. PETE-DUBLIN: Remember the words of your national hero, Joseph Plunkett, who wrote: "Praise God id this, thy blood fulfills the doom, when you, Dark Rose, shall redden into bloom."

ITALY-FRANCE: He got lucky.

AUSTRIA-ITALY: You're gonna die now sucker!

GERMANY-RUSSIA: How about some help?

PARIS-BERLIN: Maybe my reasons were dumb; maybe my timing was bad;

Maybe the kill will be slow, but you see -- Caruso's my dad!

ENGLAND-GERMANY: What's dumber than an Italian with an IQ of 0?

GERMANY-ENGLAND: A Frenchman who believes him!

VIENNA-ANKARA: We intend to put a red block in Constantinople.

GERMANY-TURKEY: Good move, Mike!

LIVERPOOL-IRISH: No go! I'm very fond of Liver pie!

VIENNA-ALL: We are not anyone's toady!!

PARIS-CONSTANTINOPLE: Good move, keep it up and maybe I'll join you.

More Victory Press:

RUSSIA-TURKEY: Eat Buffalo chips!

TURKEY-RUSSIA: Eat snail turds!

SNAILS-TURKEY: You are a fool, just like Caruso has said all along.

CARUSO-EM: When is the next easy contest? I'm an idiot & can only win the easy ones.

GM-CARUSO: The last one was easy!

MADISON-CC: Well, how was the birthday? Still coming to MadCon?

CC-MADISON: The birthday was nothing to write home about. I'll see you at MadCon!!

Fall 1905 orders are due Friday 8 June 1984.

1983-HE - Graf Spee

Winter 1903/Spring 1904

SERBIA CHANGES HANDS AGAIN!

WHO'LL HAVE IT NEXT SEASON?

AUSTRIA (Bob Howerton): A VIE-Tri, A Bud S A VIE-Tri (annihilated).

ENGLAND (Gregg Fritz): Removes A Wal; F Nat-IRI, F Lon-ENG.

FRANCE (Ed Jacobs): A GAS-Bur, A PIC S A GAS-Bur, F Iri-MID, F SPA(sc) S F Iri-MID, F Eng-Nth (dislodged, retreats to Bre, Wal, or OTB).

GERMANY (Mark Fassio): Build A MUN; A Bel-BUR, A MUN S A Bel-BUR, A RUH S A Bel-BUR, F Hol-Bel, A Edi-LVP, F NTH S ENGLISH F Lon-ENG, F SKA S F NTH, A Tyo-Vie (dislodged, retreats to Boh, Pie or OTB).

ITALY (Scott Luckenbill): Builds A VEN, F ROM; A Tri-TYO, F Rom-IUS, A VEN S A Tri-TYO, F WES-Mid, F Ion H (dislodged, retreats to Alb, Adu, Apu, Nap, Tyh, Tun or OTB), A Ser-Tri (dislodged, retreats to Alb, OTB).

RUSSIA (Ken Hager): F NWY S GERMAN F NTH, A STP S F NWY, F BLA S A RUM, A RUM S A Gal-BUD, A Gal-BUD, A Ukr-GAL.

TURKEY (Greg Murray): Build F SMY; A Gre-SER, A BUL S A Gre-SER, F Eas-ION, F AEG S F Eas-ION, F Smy-EAS.

I forgot to note it above, but Austria retreated A Gal-Vie.

PRESS:

BERLIN-FRANCE: Your forces are by no means outgunned, old boy! Indeed if you attacked Belgium the "right" way, it'll be Catchup City for me! Good luck, Ed. I'm still open for negotiation, but not demanding negotiations.

RUSSIA-TURKEY: Do you realize that if this works you'll be the fourth country to occupy Serbia in as many seasons? Talk about your unstable governments!

ITALY-EVERYBODY: That's it! I'm tired of being stomped on. I'm going blood now!

BERLIN-ENGLAND: Gregg, I've bitten off nearly all of my fingernails wondering what you'll do! Are we still partners, out after French spoils? Or have you turned the other cheek and come gumming for me? It'll be interesting to see this turn's results!

STEREIT-JOUETT: Have fun in WestPac. Just remember to stay out of trouble in Subic Bay. Those butterfly knives are wicked.

BERLIN-RUSSIA: While not crazy about you being adjacent to the Reich's Exterior Province of Sweden, we nonetheless appreciate the Nwy support.

BERLIN-A/H: Couldn't help it, Bob... I owed him one.

RUSSIA-HUNGARY: Come on over to our side and we can be the RAT patrol.

BERLIN-ITALY: Scott, I'm not trying to be aggressive, honest! I do all this to stay strong and build against France. Still with us?

BERLIN-TURKEY: Good hunting, Sultan Greg! Thanks for your postcard, and I hope R/T are happy in the Balkans.

HAGER-FAZ: What's the deal, huh? You and I seem to be banging away at each other while all these ground-pounders sit back. C'mon dogfaces, get with the program.

BERLIN-ALL: Remember, after 8 June, forget about hearing/writing to me for a while. "Don't call me, I'll call you." My moves will always be sent in; not to worry...

1983-AA - Bonhomme Richard

Spring 1904

ENGLISH ABANDON NORWAY!

ITALY DRIVEN FROM TRIESTE!

ENGLAND (Robert Whiting): A Nwy-YOR, F Swe-BOT, F Nat-LVP, F LON-Eng.

FRANCE (Jeff Sandelin): F Lvp-WAL, F BEL-Eng, F Bre-MID, A PIC-Bel,

A BUR S A PIC-Bel, A PAR-Pic, A Mar-PIE.

GERMANY (Dan Gorham): F NTH C ENGLISH A Nwy-YOR, A DEN-Swe,

A Ber-MUN, A Kie-HOL, A RUH-Bel.

ITALY (Mike Kettman): F Lyo-TYH, F Ion-ADR, F Nap-APU, A ALB S A Tri,

A Tri H (dislodged, retreats to Tyo, Ven or OTB).

RUSSIA (Peter Halfman): F StP(nc)-Nwy, A FIN S F StP(nc)-Nwy,

F BAL-Swe, A VIE S TURKISH A Ser-TRI, A BUD S TURKISH A Ser-TRI,

A Rum-GAL, F Sev-RUM.

TURKEY (Greg Doyle): A Con-BUL, A Ser-TRI, F Aeg-ION, F EAS S F Aeg-ION,

F Smy-AEG, F GRE laughs at ITALIAN A Alb-Tri (H).

PRESS:

TURKEY-EUROPE: Well (blush, blush) maybe, but I'm hardly a prophet!

FRANCE-ITALY: Hope the crews of your fleet had a good vacation on the Riviera. Why don't you have them tour the Greek islands next!

TURKEY-ENGLAND: Please write: The quiet is deafening. I can't stand not receiving your nonsensical letter anymore. My life has no meaning without them!

ANKARA-ROME: You're much too gullible to play this game. Consider a new hobby -- like needlepoint.

All proposals failed. Fall 1904 orders are due Friday 8 June 1984.



1983-HM - Mikasa  
Fall 1903

STANDOFF IN SCANDINAVIA  
MUNICH PREPARES FOR A WHITE CHRISTMAS

AUSTRIA (Paul Rosenzweig): A TYO S RUSSIAN A Sil-MUN, A TRI-Ven,  
A BOH S RUSSIAN A Sil-MUN, A SER-Tri, F GRE S TURKISH F Aeg-ION,  
A GAL prays for rain (H).  
ENGLAND (Pat Pakel): F Mid-POR, F Eng-MID, F NAT S F Eng-MID,  
F STP(nc) H, A Bre-GAS, F BOT-Swe.  
FRANCE (Matthew Fleming): F Por S ITALIAN F SPA(sc)-Mid (nso)(ann-  
ihilated), A Gas-BUR, A MAR S A Gas-BUR.  
GERMANY (John Caruso): A BER S A Mun-Sil, A Mun-Sil (dislodged, re-  
treats to Ruh or OTB), A Bur S A KIE-Mun (dislodged, retreats to  
Ruh, Bel, Pic or OTB), A KIE-Mun, A PAR S ENGLISH A Bre-GAS,  
F BAL S A BER.  
ITALY (Jim Makuc): A Pie-VEN, F ADR S A Pie-VEN, F Ion-Gre (dislodged,  
retreats to Eas, Apu, Alb, Nap, Tyh, Tum or OTB), F SPA(sc) S  
ENGLISH F Mid-POR.  
RUSSIA (Peter Halfman): A FIN-Swe, A Sil-MUN, A PRU-Ber.  
TURKEY (James Wall): F Aeg-ION, A Arm-SEV, A Bul-RUM, F Con-AEG,  
F Bla-BUL(ec).

SUPPLY CENTERS, 1903

AUSTRIA: Home, Ser, Gre, Bul (5) Must remove one.  
ENGLAND: Home, Nwy, Bre, Swe, POR, STP (8) May build two.  
FRANCE: Mar, Per, Spa (1) Must remove one.  
GERMANY: Kie, Ber, Hol, Den, Par, Bel, Mun (6) Even (was one short).  
ITALY: Home, Tum, SPA (5) May build one.  
RUSSIA: Mos, War, MUN, StP (3) Even.  
TURKEY: Home, Rum, Sev, BUL (6) May build one.

German or Italian builds may change depending upon retreats.

PRESS:

LORD LYCANTHROPY-ENGLAND: Aren't you in the MED yet? Great strategy!  
LORD LYCANTHROPY-TURKEY: Still in your corner?

L.L.-FRANCE: What are the first words a Polish baby hears?

FRANCE-L.L.: Attention K-Mart shoppers!

THE WALL-FLEMBALL: How can you excuse yourself if you drink Bud-  
weiser? Don't you have any self respect? How will you look your  
kids in the face when they ask you why you drink Bud? Any self  
respecting Dip player would hang his head in shame. I realize  
that your money source is a VP or something, but would you eat  
Spam if your money source was a Spam VP? I rest my case.

ENGLISH HISTORY FREAK-GERMAN HISTORY FREAK: You know that now that  
I'm a little familiar with Frederick II, I'm really quite im-  
pressed. What other ruler fucked up his nation for seven hundred  
years just because he was too big a wimp to stand up to his pesky  
princes. Even King John was better than that.

ROME-ANKARA: Don't worry, JC is in a bad way now (this ends religion).

ROME-PARIS: How many Flemings does it take to screw in a lightbulb?

PARIS-ROME: How many?

ROME-PARIS: Khomeni, Get it?

WEIN-CONSTANTINOPLE: You OK, James? Let me hear from you.

AUSTRIA-GERMANY:

VENICE-TRIESTE: There's only one way to stop a revolving door. Break  
it! Catch my drift?

TURKEY-AUSTRIA: Pardon me for doubting your last move, but there  
was a real problem here. If you were lying again, then I could  
have been screwed royally. To prove my loyalty you will keep  
Bul one more year until we can get you another. Your units are  
doing us a lot more good than F Smy will do us.

ITALY-TURKEY: I'm sorry that I don't answer your letters but you've  
got to realize that I barely know how to read, much less write.  
I will toady to you though if that is what you want. I've got  
to depend on someone to play my games for me since I refuse to do  
so myself.

FLEMING-THE WALL: You had better check with Rusnak, the Midwest Mob  
might want to ostracize Scheifler for going to Marycon rather  
than Madcon II.

FRANCE-AUSTRIA: Hope you took MUN boy.

ENGLAND-GM: I am glad you didn't win the quotes contest. Cheaters  
never prosper!

LORD LYCANTHROPY-GM: Make sure and bring TRIVIAL PURSUIT to Madcon  
with you, I'll beat your socks off.

GM-LL: I do not own TRIVIAL PURSUIT. However, Frueh has assured me  
that a copy of the game will be at MadCon, so I'll be happy to  
accept your challenge!

FRANCE-GERMANY: So this thing gets a little interesting. I will pull  
for the only one left who hasn't lied to me. LETS GO WALL, even  
you are preferable to letting John get the win!!

MARSAILLES-ROME: If you are on Wall's side then you can have my dots.  
Just make sure that our friend Pat doesn't get them!

VIENNA: Rumors that Archduke Rosenzweig planned on pakeling his bags  
and carousing over to France to watch the annual slaughter of  
Flemings has proven to be untrue. Asked about this rumor, the  
Archduke was quoted as follows "you don't know the Halfman of it.  
My people were so upset over my anti-Turkish policies that I was  
afraid I was going to be put up against the Wall and shot, that  
I decided to do something in the cause of the Flemings. I've got  
to run to my mommy now though, as she is serving Schaubert &  
waffers for desert."

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1982-HT - Hartford  
Winter 1904/Spring 1905

TURKS CONTINUE TO ADVANCE  
NEW ITALIAN PLAYER FINDS HIMSELF SURROUNDED

ENGLAND (Greg Murray): F DEN S GERMAN F Swe-BAL, F SKA-Swe, F Nth-NWG,  
F Lon-NIH.

FRANCE (Ruth Glaspey): A BUR S GERMAN A MUN, A Bel-RUH, F Mid-NAF,  
A Pie-IUS, F Lyo-TYH, F WES S F Lyo-TYH.

GERMANY (Ed Jacobs): F Swe-BAL, A KIE S A MUN, A MUN S A KIE,  
A HOL S A KIE.

ITALY (Earl Anderson): Retreats F Ion-TUN; F TUN-Ion, F NAP S A APU,  
A APU S A Ven, A Ven S A APU (dislodged, retreats to Pie, Rom, Tyo  
or OTB).

RUSSIA (Blaine Fowers): Retreats F Swe-BOT; F BOT-Swe, A BER H,  
F Bal S F BOT-Swe (dislodged, retreats to Pru, Lvn or OTB),  
A Vie-BOH, A SIL S A Vie-BOH, A Bud-VIE, F RUM H, F StP(nc)-BAR.

TURKEY (Russ Rusnak): Build A CON; A Con-ANK, A Tri-VEN, F ION-Apu,  
F ADR S A Tri-VEN, A SER-Rum, F GRE-Ion, F AEG S F GRE-Ion.

PRESS:

MOSCOW-EUROPE: The last season's press allowed you all to play the  
"Guess who wrote the Russian press" game. I know you're thrilled.

The key to recognizing counterfeits is abuse.

LONDON-POWERS: Say, if you say that "the Capitol of Russia is St.  
Petersburg", then why did you send "Moscow-Tyrolia"?

LONDON-PARIS: Hail to the new French premier! Welcome to the game,  
and I hope we can continue our successful ways.

PARIS-EVERYONE: Thanks to all for your kind helpfulness to the new  
French head of state. With friends like you . . . Well, anyway,  
profuse apologies for any letters which have gone unanswered. My  
street is undergoing extensive improvement, and a 3-way feud worse  
than any I ever saw in a Diplomacy game has developed among the  
contractor, the City Engineer and the Post Office as to just where  
the responsibility lies for temporary relocation of mail boxes.

At present, mail delivery is quite erratic, not to say a downright  
miracle when it does happen. Jes' keep them cards and letters  
coming, folks! I have faith that they'll get here eventually . . .

MOSCOW-LONDON: We'll have an interesting war in the north. You may  
make progress if you can hold your little coalition together. I'm  
just not sure you can do that, when you have nothing to offer them.

LONDON-ST.PETERSBURG: My apologies, but it was obvious that the flow  
of events was going to eventually run me over. Sorry, I had to  
make the decision I did.

BELGIAN BULLETIN: Crying "Support for our historical ally, Germany!"  
French volunteers are pouring into the Ruhr by the thousands to  
assist German coal miners with the 1905 harvest. A bumper crop  
of coal is expected by these experienced minehands, who are bring-  
ing their own pitchforks with them.

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Fowers will be at 55 Poplar Ct. #1, Snyder, NY 14226. Welcome to  
Earl, the New Italian player.

Rail Baron

Turn #11

Wilson (PNY&W) @Pittsburgh: Rolls 6; via PA to Chicago  
(7.5 payoff) buys CB&Q - \$14 Destination=Denver.

Fritz @Gate: Rolls 3; via CR&P to Tucumcari - 53.

Kettman (Buckeye) @Lincoln: Rolls 11; via UP, MP to St.

Louis (\$22 payoff) buys NYC - \$12.5 Dest=San Francisco.

Anderson (SC&O) @Las Cruces: Rolls 9; via SP to 1 W of

Houston (Rosenburg) - \$18.

Quirk (AIDS) @Glasgow: Rolls 7; via GN to Fargo - \$13.

Turn #12

Wilson (PNY&W) @Chicago: Rolls 10; via CR&Q to 4 E of Denver (Holdrege)  
- \$13.

Fritz@Tucumcari: Rolls 8; via SP, AT&SF to 5 E of Los Angeles  
(Doubled) - \$2.

Kettman (Buckeye) @St. Louis: Rolls 7; via MP, UP to 3 E of Kansas  
City (Lincoln) - \$11.5.

Anderson (SC&O) @Rosenburg: Rolls 10; via SP, L&N to Mobile (\$25 pay-  
off) buys B&M - \$38. Destination=Detroit.

Quirk (AIDS) @Fargo: Rolls 11; via GN, C&NW, C&O to 1 NW of Cincin-  
nati (Muncie) - \$12.

Turn #13

Wilson @Holdrege: Rolls 5; via CB&Q to Denver (\$10.5 payoff) buys  
NYNH&H - \$18.5. Destination=Houston.

Fritz @Doubled: Rolls 10; via AT&SF to San Diego (\$32.5 payoff)

buys SL&F - \$14.5. Destination=Mobile.

Kettman @Lincoln: Rolls 7; via UP to 3 NW of Denver (Rawlins) - \$10.5.

Railroads owned:

Wilson: PA, CB&Q, NYNH&H

Fritz: SAL, DRGW, GN&O, SL&F

Kettman: CMSTP&P, NYC

Anderson: ACL, NP, B&M

Quirk: GN, WP, C&NW.

Rod,

Thanks for entering the  
trivia contest. Hope to see  
you back next month. Please  
send me a copy of the next  
issue of PONTIFERICA.

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